

EMERGENCY INCIDENT MANAGEMENT - INTRODUCTION

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The CAL FIRE Emergency Incident Management (EIM) Procedures Handbook is issued by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) as the current operational handbook for all emergency response personnel. The information and instructions it contains must be respected in the same manner as direct orders or supervisory instructions.

The EIM handbook is not intended as a training document. It contains the basic facts and knowledge for which CAL FIRE fire and emergency managers should be held responsible. Such subjects should have been covered previously in fire training programs or found developed more fully in the following books:

- Basic Forest Firefighter, Handbook 1190.
- Structure Fire, Handbook 1191.
- Principles of Forest Fire Management, Clar, C. R. and L. R. Chatten, Sacramento, 1954.
- Wildland Firefighting, McFadden, J., D. Day, and W. Clayton, Sacramento, 1986.

These are satellite publications basic to all fire suppression.

The contents of this handbook may be amended from time to time, and regions may prepare their own supplements, as deemed necessary. Only officially issued material will be entered in this handbook. Each handbook holder will be responsible for maintenance of the handbook at all times.

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